

## **APPENDIX E: ORIGINAL PRIORITY THREE DENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT**

### **3.1 Strategy: Obtain the resources for a sustainable state Dental Public Health Program**

#### **Action Steps**

- 3.1.1 Pursue funds through the South Carolina Tobacco Settlement and/or other state resources
- 3.1.2 Pursue grant funds through federal funding sources such as Centers for Disease Control (CDC) and Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)
- 3.1.3 Pursue grant funds through private funding sources such as the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF)

### **3.2 Strategy: Participate in the Association of State and Territorial Dental Directors (ASTDD) Program Review**

#### **Action Steps**

- 3.2.1 Review and implement recommendations
- 3.2.2 Repeat program review every 5 years

### **3.3 Strategy: Create a state oral health surveillance system**

Healthy People 2010, Objective 21-16: Increase number of state-based surveillance systems

#### **Action Steps**

- 3.3.1 Conduct a statewide oral health assessment
- 3.3.2 Collaborate with South Carolina Budget & Control Board's Office of Research and Statistics (ORS) to link data sources
- 3.3.3 Publish initial and biannual surveillance reports in electronic copy
- 3.3.4 Publish surveillance reports in hard copy every 5 years
- 3.3.5 DHEC will conduct statewide oral health assessment every 10 years consistent with Healthy People 2010 cycle

### **3.4 Strategy: Expand Dental Safety Net**

Healthy People 2010, Objective 21-14: Increase the number of community health centers and local health departments with oral health component

#### **Action Steps**

- 3.4.1 Expand the number of community health centers with a dental component
- 3.4.2 Expand school-based dental prevention programs statewide
- 3.4.3 Increase the number of local health departments with an oral health component

### **3.5 Strategy: Expand & maintain state dental public health infrastructure in DHEC**

### **Action Steps**

- 3.5.1 Establish an oral health coordinator position in each DHEC health district
- 3.5.2 Secure sustainable funding for these established oral health coordinator positions.

